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CHICAGO BROILER/FRYER

PRELIMINARY FOR DELIVERY THE WEEK OF 11-APR-2005

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD. AVG.	LOADS
US GRADE A	55-76	66-69	68.14	28

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

WEDNESDAY

74.00

FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG.:

73.88

Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed preliminary weighted average price on ice packed parts:

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 09-Apr-05

	Current Week	Previous Week
Broiler/fryer	161,774	164,514

ITEM	WTD. AVG. (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	180.00	1,259
BREASTS - B/S	154.50	5,735
BREASTS - WHOLE	84.00	1,335
THIGH MEAT - B/S	96.50	1,027
LEG QUARTERS	34.50	7,009
WINGS	92.50	2,976

MIDWEST Preliminary majority prices for next week's trading into the Chicago area were slightly lower from Monday's final. The market tone remained about steady to weak on whole broiler/fryers. Offerings were fully adequate for the cautious trade interest. Retail and food service demand was irregular and covered the full range; retail ads and fast food reported to garner best interest. Floor stocks were in balance to long; weights mostly desirable. Parts trade centered on dark meat cuts for the most part with some resistance noted on higher asking levels; tenders were in good balance and wanted while other white meat cuts remained burdensome and discounted to help clear. The market tone was fully steady to firm on dark meat and tenderloins and steady to weak on balance.

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **WEEK ENDING APRIL 08, 2005**

	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO		CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
8-16 LB HENS				16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	63.00	64.25	64.00	EASTERN REGION	62.00	62.25	64.00
CENTRAL REGION	64.40**	63.70**	64.30**	CENTRAL REGION	64.00	62.30**	63.10**
WESTERN REGION	65.60**	66.00	65.30**	WESTERN REGION	64.30**	65.00	63.20**

**BASED ON OFFERS

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 02-Apr-2005 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS THOUSANDS
Head	155,010
Avg Wt	5.17
Last week	151,161
Same wk yr ago	152,052
Avg Wt	5.19
To-date/2005	2,032,200
To-date/2004	1,994,439

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED

	YOUNG HENS THOUSANDS	YOUNG TOMS
Head	1,660	2,516
Avg Wt	16.37	37.70
Last week	1,468	2,502
Same wk yr ago	1,735	2,599
Avg Wt	15.42	36.69
To-date/2005	19,960	32,555
To-date/2004	22,087	32,223

FRESH PORK CUTS

FOB Negotiated	PRICE RANGE	WTD AVG
Loin		
1/8" Trm/less 21#DN-LGT	118.00	118.00
BNLS Strap-on 5-11#	145.00	145.00
Trimmed Butt		
1/4" Trim Stk Rdy		
SPARERIB		
3BAG/3 PCVAC4.25#/DN-LGT		

FRESH BEEF CUTS

FOB Negotiated	PRICE RANGE	WTD AVG
112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy	566.40 595.75	577.78
168 3 Round, top inside round	179.00 194.56	185.34
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	608.00 651.00	627.03
Ground Beef 81%	139.00 153.00	143.31

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